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Fiesta Rotaria - where Arubans come to shop, play, win & be entertained



New arrivals to Aruba may have wondered at the sound of festivities which greeted them yesterday; this is the din of Fiesta Rotaria, one of the most anticipated events of the



year by nearly all islanders.

The Aruba Chapter of Rotary Club International is a steadfast supporter of a number of local foundations, including Club Kibrahacha 60+ for retirees and the YMCA, which provides guidance for Aruban youth. Their singular largest fundraising event of the year is their annual fiesta, a day full of exciting activities, entertainment, flea markets, bargain priced barbecue, and fun for all the family.

Beginning early in the morning, Arubans arrive to supplant their gardens, find furniture, electronics, books. clothing, packaged goods and sundry items for pennies, and enjoy a steady stream of great entertainment on center stage. Radio DJ Ivan Kelie, Jr. again donated his time as MC to welcome a parade of dancers and singers performing throughout the day, punctuated during the pauses by Nelson Sprok on his organ grinder, locally known as a Caha d'Orgal.

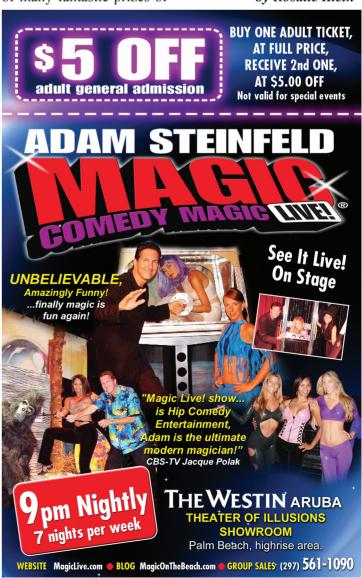
Everyone left with a big smile as they proudly showed off their new acquisitions, and the fervent wish that this would be the year they would be the one to take home the Rotary's raffle grand prize, a



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by Rosalie Klein





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Six Ways to Keep Customers: Part I

Believe it or not, these are definitely the days of "dog eat dog" in the business world. Business owners must compete in today's market place much more so than say five or ten years ago! Because of the global economic situation, the global economic slowdown, it has become imperative that business owners be very creative and innovative in order to survive in today's economy. The days of simply opening your store doors at 8 a.m. and sitting back while people stroll into your business to buy your products without much effort from you like advertising and other promotions, are long gone.

Today, if you want to make money or just survive in the business world, you've got to be on the ball with advertising, promotions, special marketing programs, etc. to get enough business for a decent ROI. In Aruba, this is even more crucial because of our small market and extremely tough competition. Someone asked me the other day,..."what can I do as a business owner to continue making a decent profit so I can keep my business going profitably?" Honestly, I didn't have an immediate answer to his question at the moment. But it surely got me thinking, and I promised him I would think about his question and come back with an answer.

I did give the question considerable thought, and I also decided to do some research on the matter. And, this is what I concluded from my research and personal observation: the customer and our treatment of the customer

is the key to our business success! Every business falls or stands on the way we treat the customer! This then led me to realize that more than anything else; every business owner must find ways to keep customers and to keep them coming back!

You see, keeping your customers coming back for more is essential to running a successful business. And, I thought long and hard to come up with what are the key things businesses need to do to keep customers coming back. In essence, what every business owner needs are ways to create loyalty from customers.

For the sake of emphasis I am going to take the liberty to identify a few of the many local companies who, in my estimation, exemplify the point I am making. You will understand that there are most certainly many other companies who could or should also be mentioned who are also doing a great job and exemplify the point. But, for the sake of space I will limit myself to only a few.

Let me give you 6 ways I believe, based on my research, personal experience and careful observation of our own local business environment, what business owners need to do to keep customers coming back:

1. Every business owner ought to be a trusted adviser to his customers! Because we live in an information-overload society, and in a society that includes one-size fits all products and a society loaded with many conflicting mes-

sages from every angle, your customers need trustworthy advice to help them make sound decisions quickly! The more trustworthy you are with your expert, personal advice, the better chance you have for creating loyal customers who will keep coming back again and again.

2. Provide customers expert recommendations for purchase proposals that are in keeping with their particular applications. Every customer really wants to make their own decision regarding a purchase. However, when you provide a recommendation based on your expertise, this facilitates the customer's purchase choice. This will help the customer save time and eliminate the need to buy stuff to try out before deciding on the right one. This will invariably save the customer the need for buying a product that may even be much more expensive yet not as good in delivering the quality they desire. An example of this positive customer principle was the now defunct Brenchi Arends hardware store. Here employees always knew what to recommend and why a particular product would be a better buy. As a customer you would go back each time because you knew you would get expert advice and recom-

3. Be prepared to go the extra mile to deliver what the customer wants. It may occur that a customer needs a product today no matter what, but your delivery service is unable to deliver the product today

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"Widespread cracking" found on Southwest plane

ST. PETERSBURG, Florida – National safety inspectors have found evidence of "widespread cracking" and fatigue on the fuselage of a Southwest Airlines Boeing 737 that made an emergency landing in Arizona with a hole in the cabin, a government official said late yesterday.

"Was the aircraft well maintained and should it have been maintained better? That is exactly why we are here, to look at why this problem occurred," National Transportation Safety Board Member Robert Sumwalt said at a press conference broadcast from

Parts of Rio-Paris jet wreckage found

PARIS, France (AFP) – French investigators said yesterday they found parts of an Air France plane that crashed over the Atlantic while flying from Rio de Janeiro to Paris in June 2009, and hoped to locate the black boxes.

The plane went down roughly midway between Brazil and Senegal on June 1, 2009, killing all 228 people on board, in the deadliest crash in Air France's history.

"During search operations in the sea carried out in the last 24 hours... the team on board the Alucia located parts of a plane. These elements were identified as belonging to the wreckage of the A330-203 plane, flight AF 447 that crashed "France's Bureau of Investigation and Analysis (BEA) said in a statement.

BEA Director Jean-Paul Troadec also told AFP that investigators have hope of finding the plane's black boxes because the debris area was relatively concentrated. Yuma, Arizona via Internet streaming.

As a result of the incident, Southwest has grounded part of its fleet for inspections.

The airline canceled 300 flights on Saturday and said another 300 flights yesterday as the investigation continues into what caused the five-foot-(1.5-meter) long, one-foot-(35-cm) wide tear to develop during Southwest Flight 812 on Friday.

The flight from Phoenix to Sacramento landed at a military base in Yuma, Arizona, after the hole appeared suddenly at about mid-cabin.

The cancellations are likely to continue for the next few days, Southwest Airlines spokeswoman Whitney Eichinger said.

She said the airline would provide no additional comment due to the active investigation.

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"To our valued customers, general public and colleagues, "I hereby inform you that today during a meeting, Tiara Air and the Department of Civil Aviation has resolved the administrative issue.

"The Department of Civil Aviation of Aruba reaffirmed that all documents are in order and has authorized Tiara Air to resume operations without any further interruption. "As of Saturday April 2, 2011 all Tiara Air flights are operating normal.

"We would like to apologies for any inconvenience caused to any of our valued customers during the last two days, but we are committed to continue to provide our usual On Time, Accommodating and Sympatico service.

Yours truly,

Alejandro Muyale **CEO**

New Police Officer training course starts August 2011

SAN NICOLAS -- Police Commissioner, Mrs. G.E.M. Hassel informs the Aruban community this coming August a new police officer training will begin.

This Wednesday, April 6, 2011 interested candidates must undergo a qualifying test for "basic police officer" to be accepted.

Police Commissioner. Hassel kindly requests all interested parties conduct history is a strict rewho comply with the require ment to be a police officer tob e present on April 6, at 8:00 a.m. at the Police Academy at Forthuevelstraat, San Nicolas.

The requirements are as follows

- Dutch Nationality
- A minimum height of 1.60 m
- Minimum age is 17 years



maximum 34

Must have a MAVO diploma/EPBadvanced diploma Candidates

comply with these requirements will then go forward to the next step, which is the procedure of selection. The results of the selection must be positive; they include a sports test, psychological and medical examination and a good

Interested persons can go April 6 at the Police Academy with a copy of diploma(s), two recent pass photos and a valid

For more information readers may contact the Police Force Personnel Department at tel. 527-2900 ext. 966 or 967

EDITORIAL

Aruba bracing itself for higher utility bills

ORANJESTAD -- If the trend of spiraling electric and water bills continue, pretty soon Aruban homes will have to return to the days of kerosene lamps and wood stoves, and kerosene operated refrigerators!

Most of our elderly citizens fondly remember the days when at sunset they would pull out their kerosene lamps and clean the shade from the previous night's smoke and fog and raise the slightly worn wig, fill the small container under the wig with fresh kerosene for another night of 'brilliant' romantic light come the darkness of nightfall. Kerosene lamps back then had both a downside and an upside. The downside was,



you had to clean the thin glass shade every single day if you wanted some decent light in the room, and you had to be careful to place it in an area where the wind wouldn't blow it over or put out the fire on the wig!



The upside was, it created a unique family ambience which brought family members together where the light was! Family members would gather around the light to talk, to play games and just to be together. Many times it also created a friendship point for neighbors and other friends to come together just to talk and fellowship, or listen to the radio or music from the long-play record player (those who had one). Another upside was that it somehow forced members of the family to retire early and get a decent 8 to 10 hours of restful sleep!

But, today, we have come a long ways from those 'good old' days. No more family fellowship around a small light, no more talking together, playing together and fellowshipping with neighbors and friends. Today, we switch on our beaming incandescent lights bright enough to see a needle on the floor, and turn up the volume on our 90 inch flat screen televisions to drown out the sounds of a Blackberry clicking message-sending sound across the room from us, and the

other sounds of music radiating from the earplugs in someone's ear sitting not too far from us in the same room, or from the clicking sounds of a computer keyboard. Then, after many hours of TV 'thrill and enchantment' we rise from our slump and retire at 1:30 am only then to switch off the bright lights in all 6 rooms in the house. We head off to our chilling cold bedroom where the airco has been blasting cold air since early in the evening into an empty bedroom.

The upside of this modernization is that we can now easily find any needle or small object on any floor in any room of our house. Bright light is at our finger tips without any hassle whatsoever....hmmm.

But, here is the terrible downside. We are now being faced with almost unpayable electric bills. And, there is no telling how much more we will be paying if the trend of increases continues. Somebody said it right: this is the price we pay for moderniza-

Nevertheless, the Aruban community is crying out to our officials in the know to do whatever is possible and to do it yesterday to bring down these high utility bills which are already strangling most of our citizens. Nobody apparently wants to return to the days of kerosene lamps. But, if the trend does not stop, we may be forced to pull out our old lamps and get our Pachi's to teach us how to light them and clean those thin glass shades!

Seriously, the extremely high utility bills have become a real concern of everyone. We understand that much is being done to reduce our dependency on the expensive Fuel Oil needed to produce water and electricity...but we must do everything NOW

Six Ways to Keep Customers

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It will be two days before your delivery service can comply. But, the customer needs the product today. Here is where you can create a lifetime customer and a spin-off of many more customers. Our local company AMC Unicon is a perfect example of a company that will go the extra mile to serve the customer. I needed my product that Friday afternoon, I just had to have it then. To my pleasant amazement, the very shop manager placed the item on his own personal truck, because all company vehicles were out delivering to other customers, and personally delivered the item to my door that very day, and at no extra cost to me! That's going the extra mile, and it keeps customers coming back to you again and again!

In next article, I will give you the remaining three things that will keep your customers coming back. If this was helpful, please write and let me know. Or, if you have a topic you'd like me to address, let me know: themorningnewsaruba@gmail. com. Thanks.

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Divi Phoenix management treasures a very special gift from a treasured member



Divi Phoenix Rooms Manager Pedro Vargas has endeared himself to quite a few guests since taking the position in March of 2010, but he also harbors special sentiments for many guests in return, particularly when they surprise him with a most enjoyable gift, as did long-time owner, Patty Ostrom.

Patty visits Aruba multiple times during the year, and particularly enjoys when her sister Marilyn joins her for a vacationon the island with her family: husband Neil, their daughter Lisa and her husband David, and their two grandsons, Daniel and Jason; then their time on island is not only for lazing on the beach and enjoying great dinners, but adventure-some exploring and discovery.

Lisa has made it a practice for the last five years of sharing her family's excursions by having lovely albums made of their many photos. "Why just have

them taking up space on the computer?" she queries, "the boys enjoy putting it together as a nice memento for their Aunt Patty and grandparents, and they make wonderful thankyou gifts to people who have contributed to our good times."

Pedro Vargas was extremely gratified to discover he was one of those individuals who made such an impression when one of these beautiful photo books, which can be designed and printed easily on line with Shutterfly, was delivered to his office-a gift from Patty





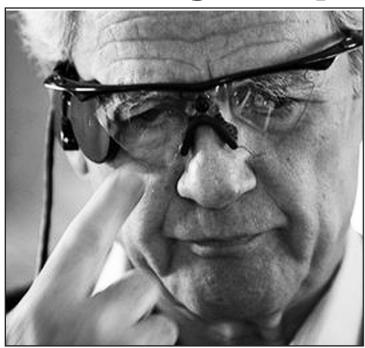


"People have various ways of saying thank you for the special attention we always try to give to each guest," he commented. "This has to be one of the most delightful surprises I have ever received. I just had to share, I thought it so adorable."

Acting General Manager of the Divi Phoenix Beach Resort, Mark Nooren agrees, "It is always highly motivating for the staff to receive a word of appreciation or a thank you for their efforts, even though it is not expected. A gesture such as this is always remembered; something all the employees can enjoy." by Rosalie Klein

Sci-Tech

'Bionic eye' implant offers hope to the blind



Elias Konstantopoulus puts on his bionic eye glasses at his home in Glen Burnie, Maryland

GLEN BURNIE, Maryland (AFP) – For a man whose view of the world has slowly faded to black over 30 years, a device that allows him to see flashes of light has enkindled his hope of one day gazing upon his grandson's face.

A career electrician who grew up in Greece and came to the United States as a young man, Elias Konstantopoulos first noticed his vision getting poorer when at age 43 he absentmindedly tried on a relative's eyeglasses and found he could see more clearly with them than without.

Soon after, he visited a doctor who tested his sight and discovered he was no longer able to see his outstretched arms from the corners of his eyes. His peripheral vision was deteriorating.

He was diagnosed with an incurable condition known as retinitis pigmentosa, which affects about 100,000 people, or one in 3,000, in the United States.

A leading form of hereditary blindness, the disease gradually eats away at the retina's rods and cones, which are photoreceptors that help people see light and identify color and detail.

About 10 years later, he could no longer see well enough to keep working.

"You lose your sight, you pretty much lose everything," said Konstantopoulos, who is now 72 and lost his final bit of vision about five years ago.

When his doctor asked in 2009 if he would like to join a three-year trial of a futuristic technology involving an electrode array in his eye and

a wireless camera mounted on a pair of glasses, Konstantopoulos was eager to take part

Now, every morning he puts on the glasses, straps a wireless device to his waist and stands by the window or out in the yard waiting to hear the sound of a car approaching. When it passes, he says he can see a block of light go by.

He can also distinguish light-colored objects against dark backgrounds, and he can orient himself in a room by being able to see where there is an open window or door letting the sun in from outside.

The device, known as the Argus II, is made by a California company called Second Sight. It was recently approved for use in Europe, and in the United States it has given a handful of test patients like Konstantopoulos cause for optimism.

"Without the system, I can't see anything. With the system, it's some kind of hope. Something is there," he said.

"Later on, who knows with technology what it can do? Everything comes little by little."

The device is similar to the cochlear implants that have allowed hundreds of thousands of deaf people to hear again, and is part of a growing field known as neuromodulation, or the science that helps people regain lost abilities such as sight, hearing and movement by stimulating the brain, spinal cord or nerves.

Ear implants work by picking up sound through a tiny microphone, then converting those signals into electrical impulses and sending them to an electrode array implanted in the patient. The electrodes gather the impulses and ship them to the auditory nerve, which hears them as sounds.

The retinal prosthesis follows a similar process. A tiny video camera on the glasses captures images and converts them into electrical signals that are fed to an electrode array that is surgically implanted in the patient's eye.

The visual signals are sent to the optic nerve and then to the brain, and the patient sees them as flashes of light and blurry shapes.

"It is still a very crude level of vision but it is the beginning of an improvement," said Gislin Dagnelie, a professor of ophthalmology who is working with Konstantopoulos and other blind patients at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. "We have to learn how to talk to the retina, basically."

The implant is unnoticeable. The surgery took about three hours and caused hardly any pain, said Konstantopoulos.

According to Second

Sight vice president of business development Brian Mech, the latest generation of the technology has 60 electrodes, compared to an earlier version that had 16.

"Surgery is much shorter and requires only one specialist (Argus I required 3)," Mech said.

In all, 14 devices are being used in the United States and 16 in Europe. The Argus II costs about 100,000 dollars.

The company plans to apply soon for a humanitarian device exemption with the Food and Drug Administration, and hopes for approval in 2012.

In the meantime, Konstantopoulos practices with the device one day a week in the lab with Dagnelie. At each session, Konstantopoulos traces objects he sees on a computer screen. Sometimes they walk arm in arm around the medical complex trying to spot certain objects.

He is gradually improving in his ability to interpret the light flashes and identify them as lines and shapes, the doctor said.

But among other patients, the response "varies quite a bit"

"People who have been blind for a long time probably don't have as much benefit," Dagnelie said.

As time goes on, doctors hope that the device could extend to people who suffer from macular degeneration, the primary cause of vision loss among people over 60.

"We hope that 10-15 years from now we'll have something that is quite useful, clinically," said the Dutch-born doctor.

Konstantopoulos still manages to do plenty of work around the house. He recently retiled the bathroom floor and showed visitors how he can still operate his table saw in the garage, pausing a few times to ask if his 18-monthold grandson, Anthony, was underfoot.

"He does everything. He is such a proud man," said his wife, Dina.

Back in the living room, Konstantopoulos sat in his recliner and scooped up the chubby-cheeked little boy who calls him "Papou."

"That has been my biggest complaint. I have never seen his face," he said, cradling the boy on his lap.

boy on his lap.
"I cannot see his face.
Yet"

Hackers infect websites to dupe Internet users



SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) – Computer security firm Websense on Friday was warning that hackers have infected a huge number of websites with malicious code crafted to dupe Internet users.

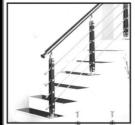
Hundreds of thousands of legitimate websites have been boobytrapped to redirect visitors

to "lizamoon" addresses where they are greeted with bogus warnings that their computers have been compromised, according to Websense.

The ruse is designed to frighten people into downloading and installing fake anti-virus software, referred to as "scare-ware," portrayed as a Windows Security Center

People who fall for the ploy, perhaps even paying for downloads, are actually installing malicious software that hackers can use to their advantage.

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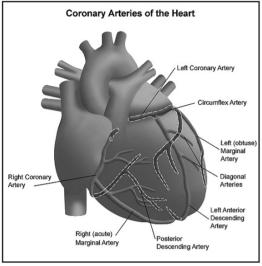
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Health & Living

'Thicker arteries' in men who take antidepressants



NEW ORLEANS (AFP) – Men who take antidepressants are more likely to have thickening of the arteries and higher heart and stroke risks than those who do not, said a study of middle-aged male twins.

The difference translates to about a four-year age gap, making the twin taking the pills physically older than the twin who does not, said the study presented at a major cardiology conference in New Orleans on Saturday.

The study is the first to examine the link between vascular disease and antidepressant use, and looked at 513 twins from the Vietnam Era Twin Registry, the authors said. The average age of the subjects was 55.

Researchers found that the inner lining of the carotid artery, which supplies oxygen to the brain, was five percent thicker in men who took antidepressants compared to their twin brothers who did not

"There is a clear associa-

tion between increased intimamedia thickness (IMT) and taking an antidepressant, and this trend is even stronger when we look at people who are on these medications and are more depressed," said Amit Shah, a cardiology fellow at Emory University in Atlanta, Geor-

a.
The study said antidepresnt use was associated with

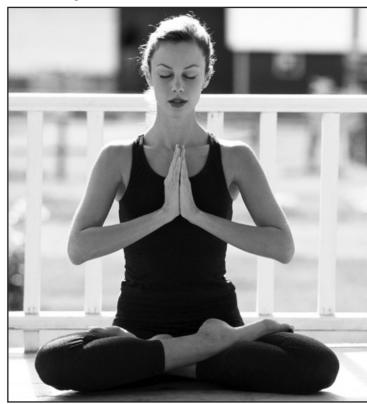
sant use was associated with a 37 micron increase in carotid IMT, or about five percent.

Previous research has suggested each additional year of life is linked to a 10 micron increase in IMT, and each 10 micron jump is linked to a 1.8 increased risk of heart attack or stroke.

Antidepressants raise the level of chemical messengers like norepinephrine and serotonin, which may have the negative effect of restricting blood vessels, though more research is needed to determine exactly why the difference was observed, the study's main author said.

"Because we didn't see an association between the depression itself and a thickening of the carotid artery, it strengthens the argument that it is more likely the antidepressants than the actual depression that could be behind the association," said Shah.

Yoga calms heart pace, cuts anxiety: study



NEW ORLEANS (AFP) – People who suffer from irregular heartbeat could see their episodes cut in half if they do yoga regularly, according to a study released in the United States.

Doing yoga three times a week also reduced depression and anxiety while boosting people's opinion of their own social and mental well-being, said the research presented at a New Orleans cardiology conference on Saturday.

"It appears yoga has a significant impact on helping to regulate patients' heart beat and improves their overall quality of life," said lead study author Dhanunjaya Lakki-reddy, associate professor of medicine at the University of Kansas Hospital.

The study followed 49 pa-

tients who suffer from atrial fibrillation, an irregular heart rhythm condition that arises when the heart's natural electrical signals fire off in a disorganized way, causing the heart to quiver.

For the first three months of the trial, patients were allowed to engage in their usual exercise routine.

For the second three months, patients attended three yoga sessions per week with a certified instructor, and were encouraged to practice at home with an educational DVD.

All the patients in the study were new to yoga.

Researchers measured the subjects' episodes of irregular heartbeats using portable monitors and log books where the patients recorded

their own symptoms.

The yoga intervention "significantly reduced" irregular heartbeat episodes by about half on average, compared to the control portion of the study when patients did their own exercises, said the study

Depression and anxiety scores on self-reported surveys were also lower; and physical function, general health, vitality, social functioning and mental health were higher.



maple syrup. Researchers have identified compounds in maple syrup with similar anti-inflammatory or anti-oxiproperties blueberries, green tea and other "superfoods," they said. Maple syrup is a syrup usually made from the xylem sap of sugar maple, red maple or black maple trees, although syrup can also be made from other maple species such as the Bigleaf Maple. In cold climate areas, these trees store starch in their stems and roots before the winter: the starch is then converted to sugar and rises in the sap in the spring. Maple trees can be tapped and the exuded sap collected and concentrated by heating to evaporate the water. Quebec, Canada, produces most of the world's supply of maple syrup.

US panel votes against more food dye labeling

WASHINGTON (AFP) – A panel of experts recently narrowly voted against urging the US government to add warnings to food dye labels, but did recommend further study into alleged links to hyperactivity in children.

Of the 14 committee members voting, 79 percent agreed "that a causal relationship between consumption of certified color additives in food and hy-

peractivity in children in the general population has not been established."

But 93 percent of the panel agreed more studies were necessary to determine whether eating artificially dyed foods is linked to behavioral problems in young people -- and to assess under what conditions the dyes are safe.

On the question of whether "additional information should

be disclosed on the product label of foods containing certified color additives to ensure their safe use," 43 percent said yes and 57 percent said no, according to a breakdown of the vote sent to AFP by FDA spokesman Douglas Karas.

After years defending the dyes -- which come in sodas, cereals, and other foods -- as harmless, the FDA agreed to

review the matter at the urging of the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a powerful consumer group.

"We reviewed the studies and we don't see a direct, strong link, although certain children with ADHD (attention deficit hyperactivity disorder) may have a sensitivity to some substances," said Karas ahead of the vote.



Papiamento golf event



The seventh annual Wente Vineyards/Papiamento Restaurant Golf Tournament saw a great opening reception in the lovely private garden of the exquisite restaurant. It seemed like all 128 participants and event sponsors had come out in force, clearly enjoying the freeflowing Wente wines and the tasty buffet. The players had the chance to greet 14th-generation Eric Wente: he is here for the popular tournament. Eric Wente plays the 18-hole event himself as usual; this year he has been teamed up with general manager of the Radisson Resort, Rob Smith. The team will undoubtedly do well!

Local representative of Wente Vineyards, Arion Wine Company, organized the entire event, which has as benefitting

charity of the year 2011 the Fundacion Pa Nos Comunidad (FPNC). This foundation aids and assists poor families in dire straights, helping out with support as well as finding solutions to change situations where assistance is of the utmost importance.

The opening reception at Papiamento Restaurant heralded a fun tournament, where a bottle of Wente wine and an Indian-style, bagged lunch graced each golf cart at the shotgun start. Participants received a wonderful cap at registration; this cap was needed to keep their heads cool during the 2-player scramble tournament. Golfers were challenged to win Closest to the Pin at holes 3 and 13 during the oneday event.



International Friends of Aruba and reception heralds Wente/ friends enjoy a great night out at Zizzles



Nancy and Bob Heinz with their guests Mary Jan and Rick Manley



The mystery couple

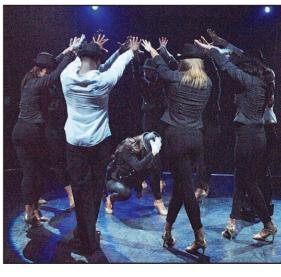
The IFA is a group of expatriates residing on Aruba who enjoy get-togethers that allow them to discover all Aruba has to offer in the way of entertainment and socializing. At least once a month, they sample Aruba's numerous clubs and restaurants, and the group that attended the dinner/show combo at Zissles in Paseo Herencia Mall last week unanimously awarded the evening multiple thumbs up, describing it as 'awesome."

"The food was great, the show was terrific and the performers are riveting," cited one enthusiastic patron. "I am exhausted just watching those kids; they put on a vibrant, high energy show with so much of my favorite music-it was a most unusual and enjoyable night-and very reasonably priced for what you get."

The D'Licious show at Zissles runs the range from Broadway classics to Lady Gaga, and anything in between, including a moving Michael Jackson tribute, a stylish bounty of James Bond favorites, and a sample of Aruban Carnival that brought all the audience to their feet with many making it to the stage to show of their moves!



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FARVa celebrates 15 years of rowing with the handicapped







The Fundacion Pa RemaValidacion (FARVa) which has as its goal to get Aruba's handicapped out of isolation and into a rowing boat, celebrated its 15 years of existence at their boat house on Surfide Beach opposite the Talk of the Town Hotel last Saturday morning. It was a full house and an especially animated one, as board members, volunteers and rowers came together. First there was the usual rowing in the rowing boats; afterwards they gathered for the festivities on the porch of the boat house, baptized Loods van Joost in fond memory of Joost Veroude, one of FARVa's enthusiastic athletes, who was visually challenged and who lost his life four years

Special guests of the occasion were FARVa's founder Mr. Heinz Behrens and his wife Thea, who are on a visit to the island, members of the first FARVa board and Minister of Sports, Richard Visser. Toasts and speeches were made and then the minister was taken into a boat for a short trip. He impressed everyone present by taking the oars and rowing away like he had done it all his life. Mr. Visser earned his wings on the water for sure!

Photos show Minister Visser with FARVa President Jan Broeksema, FARVa founder Heinz Beherens, FARVa board members from 15 years ago and the current ones.

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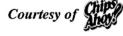
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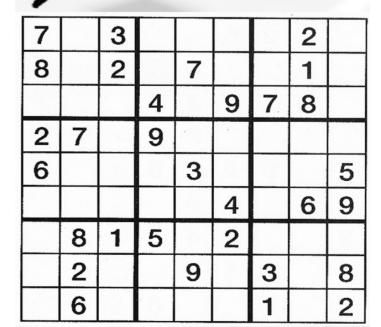
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Co-founder Page returning to Google helm



SAN FRANCISCO, Califormia (AFP) -Google co-founder Larry Page today takes back the reins of the Internet powerhouse that he and Sergey Brin created as Stanford University students some 13 years ago.

Page is expected to bring an entrepreneurial spirit and a computer engineer's intensity to the chief executive position being ceded by Eric Schmidt, who helped turn Google into a multi-billion-dollar enterprise

"I get the impression that Larry Page is **Larry Page** going to be more hands-on," technology analyst Tim Bajarin of Creative Strategies told AFP.

"Especially with mobile," he said. "Mobile is key to Google's future."

BP to resume deepwater drilling in Gulf of Mexico



LONDON, England (AFP) - BP will resume deepwater drilling in the Gulf of Mexico in July, some 15 months after the British energy giant was thrown into crisis after a fatal oil spill in the region, a newspaper said yester-

BP is said to have granted 24-hour access to US government overseers and has pledged to meet safety requirements that go beyond tougher rules im-

posed after the accident, The Sunday Times reported.

UN: Creative industries beat recent world economic crisis



NEW YORK CITY - Creative industries. from books to audiovisuals to music and performing arts, doubled their profits to 600 billion dollars in 2008 while the world economy was in recession, a new report by UN agencies said.

The Creative Economy Report 2010 said global exports of creative goods and services took off between 2002 and 2008

to double their incomes despite the economic downturn. The creative economy also includes crafts, films and new media.

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Slight increase net foreign assets **Summary of the Monthly Bulletin for** January 2011

ORANJESTAD -- The Centrale Bank van Aruba (CBA) confirms an inflow of foreign funds of Afl. 8.6 million in January 2011, which slightly pushed up Aruba's net foreign assets (excluding revaluation differences of gold and foreign exchange holdings) to Afl. 1,316.7 million (end-January 2011). This inflow of foreign funds mitigated somewhat the negative effects of an Afl. 12.4 million decrease in the net domestic assets. The result hereof was that total money supply declined by Afl. 3.8 million to Afl. 3,151.0 million. The negative performance in the net domestic assets was related to an Afl. 16.9 million decrease in the non-credit related items. In addition, credit to enterprises

and consumer credit contracted by, respectively, Afl. 6.2 million (0.6 percent) and Afl. 6.1 million (-1.1 percent), while housing mortgages expanded by Afl. 5.6 million (+0.6 percent). An Afl. 15.5 million (12.5 percent) decline in the government's deposits counterbalanced to some degree the deterioration in net domestic assets.

Provisional data from the balance of payments reveal that tourism receipts for January 2011 posted an increase of Afl. 14.1 million (+7.8 percent) to Afl. 194.1 million compared to January 2010. Noticeable is that tourists made significantly more use of their credit cards to pay for the rendered services compared to

January of last year.

In January 2011, government income showed mixed signals. Total tax revenue diminished by Afl. 4.8 million (-6.7 percent) to Afl. 66.7 million, when compared to January last year. This contraction was linked to decreases in income from taxes on commodities (-Afl. 7.2 million), associated for the most part with payment arrears of excises on gasoline by taxpayers, and from the turnover tax (BBO) (-Afl. 6.3 million). On the other hand, growth was recorded in the receipts from the taxes on income and profit (+Afl. 5.1 million) as well as for the hotel room tax component (+Afl. 2.0 million).

European bank appears set for landmark rate hike

FRANKFURT. Germany (AFP) – The European Central Bank is expected to announce its first interest rate hike since July 2008 this week even as the eurozone crisis deepens with three members missing key deficit targets.

"Only a severe escalation of the situation in Japan or a crisis in the financial markets is likely to prevent the ECB from raising rates" on Thursday, Commerzbank economist Michael Schubert said.

It would be the first change to the record low rate of 1.0 percent in effect since May 2009 but could raise pressure on eurozone members Greece, Ireland, Portugal and Spain.

It would also make the ECB the first leading central bank to raise its interest rate. and could drive the euro higher on foreign exchange markets.

Bank policymakers, in cluding president Jean-Claude Trichet who flagged the rate hike last month, want to bring monetary policy back towards normal since the economy is growing and inflation is now well above target.

ECB chief economist Juergen Stark said in the Wall Street Journal Europe last month: "We need to be mindful not to keep interest rates too low for too long."

Inflation has risen for four months running to 2.6 percent, higher than the ECB's target of just below 2.0 percent, and shows little sign of stopping as oil, food and other commodity prices climb upwards.

The current level of inflation, the highest since October 2008, raised the chances of more than one interest rate hike this year, economists said.

"In our view it is obvious that more hikes will follow," ING senior economist Carsten Brzeski commented.

High prices have also begun to wear on consumer sentiment, undermining what some economists have said could be a crucial pillar of growth this year.

But higher rates could have the biggest effect on countries that can least afford them, those struggling with acute debt levels and high unemployment.

They included Portugal, the public deficit of which stood at 8.6 percent of output last year, well above the government's 7.3 percent target and nowhere near the theoretical European Union (EU) limit of 3.0 percent.

Greece's deficit has also probably exceeded the official estimate of 9.4 percent, its finance minister said last week, amid signs that efforts to boost tax collection were failing.

And Spain, which analysts say has worked hard to correct its financial situation, will miss its deficit targets this year and next, the Spanish central bank has forecast.

Finally, Ireland revealed last week that its entire banking sector needs a drastic overhaul, with the cost of bailing out commercial lenders set to top 70 billion euros (\$99 billion).

SATURDAY'S **Crossword Answer**

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Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

Managers of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, report that sales are picking up nicely as the global economy begins to recover and those with a bit of disposal income are looking to invest in a sure thing. Gold Coast Directing Manager Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners are barely using the villas or town homes they purchase, but taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and



town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional pools decks, one of which has been open for a year, the other will be ready for the holidays 2010. They expect the clubhouse to be ready for the community with a workout room and spectacular facilities by the end of 2011. It will also house a restaurant and minimarket.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only

ing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options for clients, so buyers can individualize their homes. An elegant and chic standard package is available, or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast managers have inaugurated a number of in-house services and are now negotiating with Interval International to provide a huge international pool for investors to tap for renters either short or long term. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination will also be available. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, babysitting and catering services are also available for community members as well as airport pick-up and drop-off and preshopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can all be arranged through their home management de-



are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community; in this area, the value of properties has only increased over time. It is minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy run Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project; the scope and amenities. We talked to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who dreamed of their own home in Aruba will eventually be a community of 260

a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the management association's rental service, There is always a great demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, making it easy for some owners to earn their mortgage payments or others to see an immediate re-

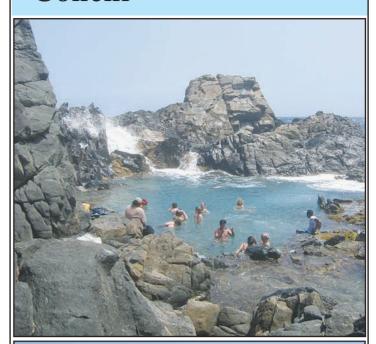


turn on their investment.

The design of the structures is open, airy and spacious, fully deploying the island environment, with the finest quality construction and finishpartment.

Visit their website: www.goldcoastaruba.com for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.

Nature at its best, enjoy Aruba's hidden treasure: "Conchi"





Around the world, tourists do a lot of site-seeing. That's the way they learn about other cultures and their histories. Aruba offers a great sanctuary to lay in the sun and get a tan, but there is much more to this small island. One of them is the Natural Pool.

The Natural Pool or conchi' called 'Cura di Tortuga' is a secret hidden pool on the windward coast surrounded by rocks and is a perfect getaway for a moment of total relaxation. The pool is surrounded by some of Aruba's most rugged terrain, so a visitor truly gets the feeling of having 'discovered' something when their eyes focus on the site. The way to the pool isn't easy, because of the rugged terrain you really need a 4-wheel drive vehicle. There are also horseback and quad racers rides to the pool. A guide will tell you about the pool and will show you why it is so special.

The view is very beautiful and full of wildlife. Mostly

visitors enjoy the ride to the pool as much as the pool itself. When you arrive by car you have a wide view over the ocean and the rugged terrain of Aruba behind you... But when you look to the Natural Pool it looks very small. After walking down to the actual site you will see that it is bigger than it looks.

You can swim, snorkel, feed the fish, jump from rocks and just relax. When the waves are high, the water splashes over the rocks and you can stand under a fountain of water. Just drive out to the Natural Pool and experience it for yourself.

To reach this destination you will need to have a 4-wheel drive vehicle. There are many road signs warning you that cars are not the preferred method of travel to this swimmers paradise. Make sure you bring refreshments and a camera with you because this area is as remote as it is picture perfect.



Al Fayed defends Michael Jackson statue

LONDON, England (AFP) – Fulham chairman Mohamed Al Fayed has told fans they can "go to hell" if they don't like the statue of Michael Jackson he has erected at the club's Craven Cottage stadium.

Al Fayed, who was a close friend of the "King of Pop", caused controversy after announcing he wanted to place the tribute to Jackson outside the west London ground.

The statue was commissioned following Jackson's death in June 2009 and was due to be erected at Harrods before Al Fayed sold the Knightsbridge store.

It shows Jackson -- who visited Craven Cottage as a guest of Al Fayed before his death -- in one of his signature poses and stands on the banks of the River Thames.







Lone pine tree symbol of hope in Japan tsunami city

RIKUZENTAKATA, Japan (AFP) – A lone pine tree stands on the shore of a tsunami-wrecked Japanese city, a symbol of hope and defiance for people who have lost everything.

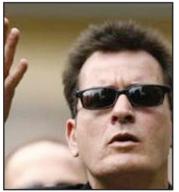
The tree was one of 70,000 in a forest that had protected the city of Rikuzentakata from ocean winds for more than 300 years.

Large parts of the city now lie in ruins, with only the shells of a few concrete buildings left standing. Ten percent of the city's population is dead or missing.

The forest of black and red pine trees is also gone, scattered like matchsticks across this once-pretty resort by the enormous power of the March 11 tsunami -- except for this single tree, whose survival is counted as a "miracle" by those whose homes have now vanished.

"Since it was the only tree left intact, it will become a

Charlie Sheen booed off



Actor Charlie Sheen gestures towards fans as he arrives for a sentencing hearing at the Pitkin County Courthouse in Aspen, Colorado in this August 2, 2010 file photo. After hearing chants of "Refund! Refund!" and being booed, even Sheen knew his "Violent Torpedo of Truth" had bombed on its debut in Detroit on April 2, 2011. The comedy revue with rapper Dirt Nasty and comedian Kirk Fox, among others, brought catcalls from the audience and not even Sheen's girlfriend "goddesses" could win fans. The Detroit performance was opening night of 22 shows in 20 U.S. and Canadian cities.



Birds fly over the 10-meter-high pine tree, the only one left standing after the March 11 tsunami.

symbol of restoration," said 23-year-old Eri Kamaishi, as she stood in the shadow of the tree now known locally as the "pine of hope."

The tree is one of the few landmarks left to show where Rikuzentakata once stood, said Kamaishi.

"I can't even remember exactly what the city looked like because it has so completely gone," she said.

Resin oozes from a scar on the trunk of the tree, where the lower branches were ripped off by the power of the waves, but a thick spray of green pine needles at the top of the 10-meter (33-foot) tree shows it is very much still alive.

Japanese Prime Minister Naoto Kan chose Rikuzentakata as his first place to set foot in the tsunami-ravaged disaster zone on a visit Saturday.

"There used to be a great pine forest here," Kan said as he inspected the devastated bay area where the lone pine tree stands. "But they were uprooted. They have vanished."

Hiroko Kikuta, 62, said earlier that the golden sands of the city's beach were crowded in summer months with holidaymakers and locals.

"Now everything has gone except for the tree," she said. "The pine is tall and strong."

"I want to see the beautiful beach and great pine trees again like they used to be," said Kikuta, whose husband is still missing.

The history of the pine forest can be traced back to the 17th century, when a wealthy merchant began planting trees as a windbreaker to protect re-

sidents from storms.

The beach, which sits at the mouth of a bay, drew around 200,000 visitors a year and was listed in guide books as one of the 100 most scenic places in Japan.

"For us, the pine trees are very special" because of the protection they offered to local people, said Yasuo Murakami, 69

He said he hoped the tree would encourage survivors and heal the broken hearts of those who have lost their loved ones. Murakami's wife and sister were found dead and his six-year-old grandchild is still missing.

Rikuzentakata, 400 kilometers (250 miles) north of Tokyo, is staggering under the weight of the destruction wreaked by the tsunami.

Around 1,000 people are known to have died, with 1,300 still missing. Many thousands are living in evacuation centers. Heaps of debris across a vast area of the city remain almost untouched.

Nationwide, the death toll from the 9.0 magnitude quake and the tsunami that followed it has exceeded 11,000, with more than 16,000 people unaccounted for.

Tomohiro Owada, a spokesman for the city hall, said he had watched as the tsunami crushed the pine forest.

"But this tree has survived. It's a miracle," Owada said. "Once we finish rescue operations and have established proper support for victims, we will look at how we can preserve it as a symbol of our reconstruction."

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World champions India eye new golden age



Indian cricketer Sachin Tendulkar (3rd L) shakes hands with Indian President Pratibha Patil during a tea party at the Governor's House in Mumbai

"We are growing as a sporting nation. But cricket is special because of the infrastructure.

"It all started with the 1983 win. Then two big players, Anil Kumble and Sachin Tendulkar, came on the scene, followed by Sourav Ganguly and Rahul Dravid.

"It is due to them we are getting a lot of money and respect. We are trying to pass it on to the next generation."

Dhoni, the son of a steel factory worker, is a multi-millionaire thanks to a career which has seen him become the first man to captain a World Cup and World Twenty20 winning side.

His team are also top of the world Test match rankings.

Throughout the six-week tournament, he was a regular on match-day TV commercials, endorsing everything from ceiling fans to mobile phones to high-end property.

But there will be little rest for his in-demand champions.

India have a packed upcomimg programme, including tours of the West Indies, England and Australia before the year is out, as well as home internationals.

Yet before any of that comes the latest lucrative edition of the Twenty20 Indian Premier League, starting on April 8, with Dhoni having led the Chennai Super Kings to victory in 2010.

"I don't think we are getting enough time off. There's no time to realise we have won the World Cup."

Significantly, even before the last celebratory firework exploded in the Mumbai night sky on Saturday, the team's paymasters were keeping them sweet with rewards of \$225,000 per player for capturing the trophy.

Indian newspapers revelled Sunday in victory, hailing Dhoni's men as heroes for a new generation.

"The World At Our Feet" crowed the front page headline in the Times of India.

"The wait has ended and a new legend has been born," the Times said, putting Dhoni's squad on the same pedestal as the 1983 side.

"Windia!" was the banner headline in the Indian Express.

Not surprisingly, the mood was not so optimistic in Sri Lanka after their team lost a second successive World Cup final.

"Who picked the final XI of the Sri Lanka team?" the Sunday Observer asked.

It questioned the dropping of spinner Ajantha Mendis in favour of Suraj Randiv who only joined the squad as an injury replacement on Friday.

The Observer also questioned the wisdom of playing an injured Muttiah Muralitharan, the ace spinner, who was retiring after Saturday's game.

"Was it advisable playing a half-fit Muralitharan?" the state-run paper said.

"Winning the mega-final is much more important than giving a farewell tribute to even a great cricketer of Muralitharan's magnitude."

Sri Lanka captain Kumar Sangakkara insisted that Muralitharan, who retires with 800 Test wickets and 534 victims in one-day internationals, was fit to play despite having suffered from a series of knee and hamstring problems.

On his return to Colombo, Muralitharan, who took 15 wickets in the tournament, said the final had been a letdown.

"It was a little bit disappointing because my main aim was to win the World Cup," he said.

Sri Lanka's battered morale took a further hit when sling-action fast bowler Lasith Malinga said he won't play in the 2015 World Cup.

"I hope to be of service to my team as long as I can, but I won't be able to play in the next World Cup, said 27year-old Malinga, who captured 13 wickets in the tournament.

Saturday's victory for India sparked fulsome tributes to Sachin Tendulkar, the recordbreaking batsman, who finally won a world title at his sixth attempt and just three weeks short of his 38th birthday.

"Tendulkar has carried the burden of the nation for 21 years. It was time we carried him," said young teammate Virat Kohli.



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Djokovic beats Nadal for Miami title

MIAMI (AFP) - Novak Djokovic did it again Sunday, defeating world number one Rafael Nadal 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7/4) to win the ATP Miami Masters crown and remain unbeaten in 2011.

Djokovic has now won all 24 matches he has played this year, the best start to a season since Ivan Lendl began 1986 25-0.

The Serbian, ranked second in the world, has cap-

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Djokovic celebrates as he kisses trophy after he defeated Rafael Nadal of Spain

tured four titles, including the Australian Open and, now, back-to-back elite Masters titles with victories over Nadal in the finals.

As in the championship match at Indian Wells a fortnight earlier, Djokovic surrendered the first set to Nadal

But after a slugfest lasting almost 3 1/2 hours on a steamy stadium court it was Djokovic who emerged the victor.

Djokovic added a second Miami title to the one he captured in 2007. And he joined Roger Federer Andre Agassi and Pete Sampras as the only players to win the Australian Open, Indian Wells and Miami -- the three most important early-season events -- in the same year.

"It's incredible," Djokovic said of beating the world number one in a third-set tiebreaker, adding that he didn't know what the outcome would be until he sealed the victory on his third match point.

Nadal finished runner-up in Miami for the third time after falling in the final in 2005 and 2008.

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Indians turn triple play against White Sox



Cleveland Indians' Michael Brantley, left, congratulates teammate Jack Hannahan after Hannahan scored on a double by Lou Marson in the seventh inning in a baseball game against the Chicago White Sox

CLEVELAND -- It unlikely that Carlos Santana will forget his debut as a first baseman for the Indians.

Manning first for the first time in his Major League career, Santana helped begin a triple play during the fourth inning of Sunday's game against the White Sox. It marked the second triple play turned by Cleveland in the past four years at Progressive Field and helped turn the momentum toward the Indians, who went on to a 7-1 victory.

In the fourth inning, with runners on first and second base and no outs, Indians right-hander Justin Masterson fired a pitch to Chicago's Alexei Ramirez. With the White Sox clinging to a 1-0 lead, Ramirez squared around to bunt.

Santana -- normally the Tribe's starting catcher -- sprinted in from first base to

field the would-be sacrifice. Ramirez popped the bunt up and Santana made a head-first diving grab to snare the ball out of the air before it touched the grass.

With one out in the books, Santana shifted to his feet and relayed the ball to second baseman Orlando Cabrera, who stepped on first base to force A.J. Pierzynski out. Like Pierzynski, Carlos Quentin did not have enough time to retreat to second. After a brief pause, Cabrera tossed the ball to Asdrubal Cabrera at second base for the final out.

The crowd inside Progressive Field roared and the Indians ran off the field after finishing off one of baseball's rare feats. It marked the first triple play against the White Sox since Toronto accomplished the feat on April 22, 1978

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Butler, Connecticut to duel in NCAA men's basketball championship

Butler and Connecticut will meet in the 2011 U.S. NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) men's national basketball final after they defeated VCU and Kentucky respectively Saturday night.

Butler, the No. 8 seed from the Southeast region, beat 11th-seeded VCU 70-62 in the Final Four game at the packed Reliant Stadium in Houston, while Connecticut topped No. 4 Kentucky 56-55.

Shelvin Mack scored 24 points to help Butler gain control of the game for good while Kemba Walker scored 18 points to lift Connecticut to its close victory over Kentucky.

Connecticut is a two-time national champion, while Butler returned to the NCAA final for the second straight year

The NCAA final, set for Monday night, will be the 2,900th all-time game in the NCAA tournament.

Palermo axe falls again as Rossi replaces Cosmi

ROME (AFP) - Notorious Palermo president Maurizio Zamparini struck again on Sunday as he fired coach Serse Cosmi after just four games in charge.

Cosmi has been replaced by the man he succeeded, Delio Rossi, who was only fired on February 27 following a 7-0 defeat at home to Udinese.

Palermo lost three of their four matches under Cosmi but two weeks ago beat Serie A leaders AC Milan.

However the club have lost six of the last seven games, including the last three of Rossi's previous reign.

As is the custom in Italy, though, when he was replaced as coach he remained on the club's payroll, meaning it was easy to bring him back to the



This is also the first time that the NCAA Men's Final

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Indian Association of Aruba congratulates all Indians with Cricket World Cup title

Last Saturday, India won the prestigious World Cup Cricket Final by defeating Sri Lanka in Mumbai, India by six wickets. Indians brought the World cup trophy home after a gap of 28 years. It was last in 1983 that India won this trophy by defeating the West Indias. India became the first host-nation to win the world cup with final played in India itself.

The Indian Association of Aruba congratulates all the Indian community on this superb achievement of the Indian team.

India defeated Australia, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka to get this trophy home. Some other notable participants in the World Cup were Australia, England, South Africa, West Indies, Netherlands, Canada, Ireland, and New Zealand.

Prakash Gupta President

World champions India eye new golden age

NEW DELHI (AFP) - India plotted a new era of cricket domination on Sunday after their stunning World Cup success confirmed their status as the sport's only superpower.

The comfortable sixwicket win over Sri Lanka in Mumbai, India's first world title since 1983, was also being viewed as a reflection of the country's growing commercial and political muscle.

"In the last three to four years India has done well in shooting, badminton, tennis, hockey and football," said winning captain Mahendra Singh Dhoni.

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